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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
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For: **System and Method for Scheduling Execution of Cross-Platform
Computer Processes**
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a);
2. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111;
3. One (1) return postcard; and
4. Credit Card Payment From (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$450.00 to cover the Petition for Extension of Time.

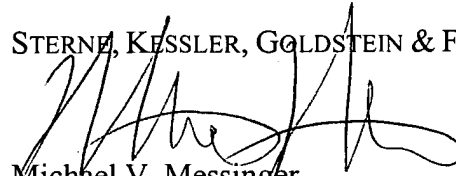
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Respectfully submitted,

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